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FROM THE EDGE

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Do you ever hear your parents say: Don't say things like that. NICE people don't say that. OR: Why ARE you so nasty and cynical all the time? NICE people don't feel like that.

After careful thought, and much soul-searching, I have come to a conclusion. I am NOT a nice person. I have never been a nice person. I NEVER will be a nice person. I don't fucking want to be nice. Nice people get stepped on. Nice people read the news and shake their heads in mock grief when pus-brained idiots like Jim Jones and his pack of zombie-eyed soft-heads take a long walking high-dive off of a Kool-Aid tub. Fuck being NICE. Have you ever considered what NOT being forgiving, sentimental, noble, idealistic or empathic can get you? It can get you one whole hell of a lot of benefits, and little or no grief. THAT'S what it can get you!

Case in point: Recently, an Air India 747 was blown out of the sky by a bomb (so they say). Everyone on board was killed. Presumably, the Sikh passengers were nice people. They took the actions of the Sikh extremists and ripped their papers over to the cartoons in the obits. They figured that going home to see their families and friends on an Air India was a good thing to do, and besides, the airport security precautions would take care of them. Uh-huh... Tell that to the families. Tell that to the Coast Guard chopper pilots who had to do a kind of EC comics-inspired binocular search

in the charming waters. Is that a body? Nope. Is that a chunk of wreckage? Sup. Is that a piece of luggage? Nope. Is that a scrap of clothing? Yeah... nope... gag. Necrophobias are a definite dis-advantage in that job. Necrophiliacs, however, could have a sexual field day out there, fondling the dead females, their clothes shredded by the blast, their bodies softened up by the impact with the old H₂O. But I digress.... (pleasantly....)

My point? Nice people wear blinders. They pooh-pooh their misfortunes, smiling into their ENQUIRERS while the bulldozers of fate loom up. Cynical, nasty people, on the other hand, would've expected the worst and prepared for it! Cynics would've taken a less obvious path home (any number of other transport exists. Freight CARS, loaded on board ships; short trips by small airlines, then overland; pressurized crates in cargo holds of Soviet planes NOBODY has the guts to bomb these), but no! The nice people herd aboard Air India and get blasted into stiff meat for necrophiliac Coast Guard rescue freaks.

Nasty can SAVE YOUR LIFE!

Thank God (AND CIRCE AND ODIN and etc.) that I'm NASTY! THANK YOURS THAT YOU ARE, TOO! (AND if you'RE NICE, for fuck's sake, WISE UP!)

COAST GUARD

Ace's Mailbox

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HMMM... HERE'S ONE FROM FAMOUS CARTOONIST, PETER BAGGE.

"DEAR ACE, SOME OF THE STRIPS ARE PRETTY INCONSISTENT HUMOR-WISE. IS THAT LENNON ONE SUPPOSED TO BE FUNNY OR WOT? PECULIAR."

Ace's Mailbag

PETER, PETER, PETER! ALL COMICS AREN'T SUPPOSED TO BE FUNNY, ANY MORE THAN ALL POEMS OR PAINTINGS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE FUNNY. COMICS CAN BE A DYNAMIC AND FLEXIBLE ARTFORM FOR EXPRESSING ONE'S INNERMOST SOUL AND CREATIVE VISION!

COMIX = ART

I don't like you... I don't like anything about you... I don't like anyone who likes you... I only like those who DON'T LIKE YOU... Have a nice day...

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Fans still love Elvis tender

MEMPHIS, Tenn.
 (AP) — Thousands of fans toured Elvis Presley's mansion and visited his grave Thursday, paying tribute to the "king of rock 'n' roll" with poems, flowers and photographs before the eighth anniversary of his death. A week of tributes and events dedicated to Presley, who died Aug. 16, 1977 at the age of 42, was centered on a memorial service and candlelight march.

Betty Lou Watts stood in the drizzle without a raincoat or umbrella, a bouquet of blinking fake roses in her hand as she and almost 300 other fans waited for the candlelight vigil to begin.

"I'll stand out here till daybreak if I have to," said Watts, at the gates of the two-story, white-columned house Presley called Graceland. Watts said she would put the blinking red roses on Presley's grave. "He lit up our lives."

The event was expected to attract 10,000 or more fans, said officials of Graceland Enterprises Inc., which operates the mansion as a tourist attraction. "It's a beautiful sight," said Graceland spokesman David Beckwith.

"We have the memorial service in the street in front of Graceland, and then we open the gates, and they light a torch from the eternal flame at the grave and bring it down. Then people light their candles and walk up the driveway to the grave."

Fans from as far away as Japan, Australia and Sweden come to Memphis on the anniversary of Presley's death to tour his home, attend concerts and film festivals, participate in trivia and art contests and swap Elvis memorabilia.

"The crowd is usually pretty reserved," Beckwith said. "A lot of people are here to mourn, but there are some who are celebrating, especially the British. They've been having dances every night."

The fans troop through the Georgian mansion's first floor at the rate of 3,400 a day, Beckwith said. Admission to the house is \$6.50 U.S. for adults and \$4.50 for children. Fans may also walk through Presley's two jet planes, a Convair 880 and a smaller Lockheed JetStar, for \$3.50. For \$1, visitors may inspect the bus Presley took on tours.

Smoking argument a ludicrous bore

The ongoing argument on the issue of smoking is a ludicrous bore. Let me conclude the babble with some common sense. I was once a smoking jerk.

It's common knowledge that smoking causes cancer (as well as respiratory maladies). It's also common knowledge that we live in a free land where the individual has rights (to smoke or not to smoke — and to be not smoked upon).

A smoker exercises his or her right to contract cancer. Smokers who smoke around non-smokers are inconsiderate because they choose to spread their cancer-inducing pollution.

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Faces charge

UP International
 LOS ANGELES — Organist Bob Ralston, 46, who played for the Lawrence Welk orchestra, has been ordered to stand trial and was bound over to Superior Court on two counts of child molestation and one count of oral copulation.

A search of his home uncovered photos showing him engaged in sexual acts with two boys.

QUESTIONS GAS STATION ATTENDANTS FREQUENTLY ASK ABOUT DEJA VOODOO'S CAR

Q: Jeez, is that an Edsel?
 A: Yes.
 Q: You don't see many of those any more, do yuh?
 A: No, you don't.
 Q: Jeez, what year is it?
 A: 1984.
 Q: No, jeez, I mean the car.
 A: Oh. 1959.
 Q: Is that th' one with th' pushbutton transmission in th' steerin' wheel?
 A: No, that was the '58.
 Q: They musta stopped makin' those when, '59, '60?
 A: They made a few in 1960.
 Q: Jeez. Bet it's a bitch on mileage, eh?
 A: Not that bad -- about 18 miles, maybe 25 on the prairies where there aren't any curves or hills.
 Q: That's all right, eh? How many miles ya got on it?
 A: About .36,000.
 Q: Original miles? That's all?
 A: Yup.
 Q: Where'd yuh get a car like that?
 A: We saw an ad in the paper, and there it was.
 Q: Good stuff...pay a lot?
 A: Nope -- under a thousand.
 Q: Jeez. Yuh know, yuh shouldn't be drivin' that. It's worth some money to a collector, I bet, eh?
 A: I dunno. We've screwed it up pretty bad.
 Q: Bummer. You could like, fix it up, though, eh?
 A: I guess. But if we did, someone'd rip it off.
 Q: Yeah. Well, I gotta go now. Oh, one other thing...you know you guys dress like faggots?
 A: Buzz off, eh?



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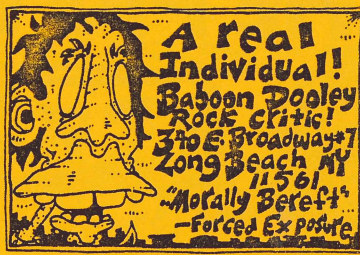
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Hello from the folks at R Radical. Well, finally we got the first thousand dollars for the distribution for the P.E.A.C.E. compilation. We've sold nearly 7000 copies in the U.S. and 3000+ through R Radical Europe. So here we're expecting \$6000 more over the next 3 months, and more from Europe. We will keep you informed through MRR, Flipside, and Thrasher. The first \$300 goes to the Livermore Action Group; second \$300 to the Vancouver 5 Group; third \$200 to Rad Radio at KUSF in San Francisco; the fourth \$200 to the 40th Anniversary of Hiroshima Action and Protest Group.

More info and a complete accounting for the P.E.A.C.E. compilation forthcoming. Thanks to all who participated in any way or bought the record. We in the positive

political hardcore scene are helping to stop the arms race and are contributing to peace through energy, action, cooperation, for evolution. Stand proud; hell with the apolitical assholes and the violent fascist groups within our scene that seem to detract from all the positive energy folks who give a damn by protesting, surviving, and not giving up the ship.

MDC will be back soon. Keep the faith. Peace, love, and let's steal control from the Multi-Death Corporation. Take care, hang tough. All the folks at MDC/R

Radical

P.S. Also, Dave MDC has started an International Hardcore Vegetarian Snack Bar, at 3159 16th St. San Francisco, CA 94103.

Tofu Helps The Brains Grow Soft

Just for laughs mind you, don't go getting yer undies all in a bundle now... Good to see old Dave MDC grumping around again, missed him all these months. Anyone note his ad in the 8/85 MRR? Now how do you figure, he calls his 2LP a world peace comp, and yet he gives the proceeds to the Vancouver 5, a group that bombed movie theaters, and the Livermore Action Gang, a group noted for advocating violent confrontation with authority, at least intellectually that is, for others. Positive.

Here's one for all you inquiring minds who just have to know. Why is it that gossipin' shrink Kent Jolly didn't let us in on the hardcore scoop of all this summer in his July San Fran MRR scene report? At the Rock Against Maximum Rock and Roll gig in Berkeley, Kent forgot to note that the two new members of the Fuck Ups, one of the bands that played rock against punks ginchiest rag, are ex-members of MDC! Such irony! One of Tim Y's most beloved Bands, MDC, supplying members for one of his most hated, the Fuck Ups, and rocking against him! Oh Lordy Kent, will we ever be able to trust you again? Or will we now be forced to take our problems to that noted fascist Dear Abby?

Anyway, in the following funny-The Great Punk Political Divide-I swipe two of Tofu Daves smokin stereotypes, i.e., "Apolitical Asshole" and "Violent fascist goon". I mean, you don't think I make this stuff up now, do you?

Love and Quiches,
 Johnny

PS- Brave New Product Award for the Summer a 85 goes to Jello Biafra for the DKs Fresh Fruit for Rotting Yuppies Compact Disc! Now the struggling Masses can get politically correct communication from their CD players! Love ya babe.